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SUBJECT: CHILE DEBT RESCHEDULING

REF: LONDON 3678; STATE 61984

- 1. RON JONES, ASSISTANT SECRETARY, UKTREASURY, TELLS US THAT ON SPECIFIC QUESTION OF OPIC AND INVESTMENT INSURANCE PROGRAMS, "UK IS WITH YOU ENTIRELY". IT IS CLEAR PARIS CLUB RESCHEDULING WAS NOT REPEAT NOT MEANT TO COVER DEBT UNDER INVESTMENT INSURANCE COVERED SCHEMES.
- 2. UK IS NOT SURE THAT IT CAN AGREE COMPLETELY WITH BASIC US POSITION THAT PRIVATE DEBT COVERED BY POLITICAL RISK INSURANCE SHOULD IN ANY GIVEN CASE BE TREATED LIKE COMPARABLE OBLIGATIONS NOT COVERED BY INVESTMENT INSURANCE. THIS PRESUMABLY WOULD DEPEND ON CIRCUMSTANCES OF VARIOUS AGREEMENTS. ECGD IS JUST GETTING CONFIDENTIAL

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INTO THIS FORM OF ACTIVITY. IT DOESN'T WANT TO TIE ITS HANDS COMPLETELY AND PREFERS TO RESERVE ITS POSITION.

- 3. WE SUGGESTED UK SHOULD SUPPORT SPECIFIC US VIEWS ON CHILE AND OF OPIC INVESTMENT INSURANCE PROGRAMS, LEAVE LARGER QUESTION ON BASIC POSITIONS IN ABEYANCE UNTIL THERE IS AN ACTUAL DISAGREEMENT. JONES AGREED.
- 4. WE BRIEFED JONES ON SUBSTANCE OF STATE 61984. HE REGRETTED IMPASSE, ON PERSONAL BASIS FELT CHILEANS WERE FOOLISH NOT TO COME TO TERMS WITH US AND AT SAME TIME ESTABLISH MEANINGFUL DOMESTIC STABILIZATION PROGRAM. HE FELT ONLY OTHER ALTERNATIVES FOR CHILE ARE DEPENDENCE ON RISE IN WORLD COPPER PRICES OR INCREASED RELIANCE ON SOVIETS, NEITHER OF WHICH OFFER LONGTERM VIABILITY.
- 5. WE GAVE JONES COPY OF TREASURY ASSISTANT SECRETARY HENNESSY'S MARCH 28 TESTIMONY ON CHILE TO SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE.

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